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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Hideaki YAGI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/956,925

Group Art Unit: 3761

Confirmation No.: 2471

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: September 21, 2001

For: OXYGEN ENRICHING APPARATUS, CONTROLLER, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL  
APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(B) - FILING DATE GRANTED**

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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted," for the above application, Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration for the above identified application properly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$130.00 is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

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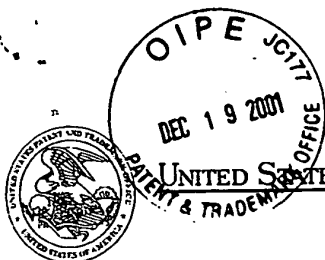
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**Assignment For Published Patent Application**

NGK SPARK PLUG CO., LTD.; ✓

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**Foreign Applications**

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**Title**

Oxygen enriching apparatus, controller, and recording medium ✓

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